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Remarks

In order to clarify the claims, the claims were amended to delete the terms hydrate and solvate. Applicant does not consider that solvates and hydrates are different chemical forms of a compound of formula I. Instead, solvates and hydrates are different <u>physical</u> forms of the compound. Thus a solvate or a hydrate of a compound of formula I still requires the compound of formula I, and therefore incorporates the invention defined by the now amended

compound of formula 1, and therefore incorporates the invention defined by the now amended

claims. Thus, one producing a solvate or hydrate of a compound of formula I makes use of

that invention.

As the skilled practitioner recognizes, a hydrate is a molecule, for example the claimed molecule, in combination with a specific number of water molecules arranged in a particular fashion around the molecule. The solvate is a molecule, for example the claimed molecule, associated with a specific number of solvent molecules arranged in a particular fashion around the claimed molecule. Regardless of the physical form, the compound is still present.

Examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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